

These are the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Bass Lake, Sawyer County, held on Monday, July 10, 2006. Members present: Chairperson Sanders, Supervisors Meixner and Nies, Treasurer Aderman, and Deputy Clerk Hanus.

Chairperson Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve the agenda with the following addition: Under Highway, for discussion only, add item d. Petition to close Poplar Avenue. Motion carried.

After a review of the vouchers for June, there was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to pay them. Motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Hanus read the minutes of the June 12, 2006 regular monthly meeting. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Chairperson Sanders read the June 16, 2006 decisions of the Sawyer County Zoning Board of Appeals approving the conditional use permit for Edmund C. Packee and the renewal of the conditional use permit for Vaughn Skille.

A variance application from the Chicago Club Resort Partnership for the construction of a two-story dwelling by the purchaser at a setback distance of 45' from the ordinary high water mark of Lac Courte Oreilles was presented to the Board. Discussion followed. Per Supervisor Nies, Steve Sletner representing the Chicago Club appeared before the Planning Committee. The Planning Committee recommends denial of the variance application. There was a motion to deny by Meixner, seconded by Sanders. Motion carried. Planning Committee recommendation to deny is on file with finding of fact.

At their monthly meeting, the Planning Committee reviewed an ATV ordinance passed by the Tribe, and a copy of said ordinance was made available to the Town Board of Supervisors. The ordinance prohibits all ATV use on public lands within the Town. As provided in the ordinance, the LCO police can issue citations for all ATV violations. There are no designated ATV trails in the Town of Bass Lake, Sawyer County.

Minutes of the May 1, 2006 and June 5, 2006 Fire Department business meetings were presented to the Board. There was a motion to accept by Meixner, seconded by Nies. Motion carried.

Sanders reported a USDA Grant of \$42,000 was awarded to the Town Fire Department towards the purchase of a new tanker/pumper truck. The balance of \$193,000 can be borrowed from the USDA at 4 ½% for 10 years. Sanders recommended pursuing the USDA grant and loan. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner for Sanders to pursue the grant and loan. Motion carried.

Sanders reported a request at the July 3, 2006 Fire Department business meeting to develop a petty cash account in the amount of \$200.00 for the Fire Department. Discussion followed. There was a motion by Nies to deny a petty cash account. With no second, the motion failed. After further discussion, Sanders motioned to request the Treasurer explore a possible petty cash account with debit card, seconded by Meixner. Motion carried. Request for petty cash account will be included in next month's agenda.

Three driveway permit applications from RJO Construction were presented to the Board. Discussion followed. Rod Olson spoke on behalf of RJO Construction. After considering the parcel with access to Durphee Lake, there was a motion by Sanders, seconded by Nies to approve the permit contingent upon certification from Sawyer County Zoning that the parcel is a buildable lot. Motion carried. Upon considering the two remaining applications, there was a motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to approve driveway access off of Circle Road with a 10' setback from the public easement strip. Motion carried. Highway Crew Chief Froemel will mark setbacks and approve applications accordingly.

A driveway permit application from John Danczyk and Greg Peterson was presented to the Board. John Danczyk and attorney Cliff Stoner were present. Discussion followed. The Danczyk/Peterson property is located off of Rainbow Road near the Washburn County line. The only access to the property is an easement on a sharp corner. Attorney Stoner has appealed to the adjacent property owner for a new easement location with no success. There was a motion by Sanders to have Road Crew Chief Froemel re-inspect the site and address the issue again at next months Board meeting. With no second, the motion failed. There was then a motion to deny the application by Meixner, seconded by Nies. Motion carried.

A driveway permit application from Michael P. Olsen was presented to the Board. Olsen was not present. Discussion followed. Olsen's application requested a driveway directly at the end of Poplar Avenue. If the application was granted, there would be no place for road crew to push snow when plowing. There was a motion to deny by Nies, seconded by Meixner. Motion carried.

A driveway permit application from Rachel Grabill and Shane Holcomb was presented to the Board. Applicants were not present. Discussion followed. There was a motion to approve by Nies, seconded by Meixner. Motion carried.

Road Crew Chief Larry Froemel reported to the Board that the windshield in the new tractor had shattered while the machine was sitting idle in the shop. The windshield has since been replaced and was covered under warranty. Today, while Gary Sundberg was mowing, a side window on the tractor shattered. Froemel said there is a guard in place to prevent the mower from kicking up debris, and he believes the glass was not tempered properly. Baribeau Implement has been contacted to replace the side window. Other than the windows, the mower is working fine.

Sanders informed the Board members that he signed the lease agreement with Baribeau

Implement and the Deputy Clerk paid the initial lease payment of \$37,956.37.

Froemel stated he received a call from Thompson's Sand and Gravel in regards to clearing the right of way on Boy's Camp Road. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Nies, for the Clerk to contact the affected property owner's regarding the timber rights. Motion carried.

A petition to close the west end of Poplar Avenue was presented to the Board for discussion. Tim Knops was present to represent the petitioners. Discussion followed. Per Supervisor Nies, the issue will be put on the August agenda.

There was discussion regarding a payment request from LCO Development. The statement is dated April 5, 2006 and contains a "balance forward" from March 31, 2005 in the amount of \$11,660.00. Numerous attempts have been made by Road Crew Chief Froemel and Deputy Clerk Hanus to obtain detailed information regarding the charges with no success. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Sanders to remove the payment request from the agenda. Motion carried.

The Treasurer reported that as of June 30, 2006 the Town had \$142,449.26 in all of their accounts, and that she and the Deputy Clerk had balanced for the month. There was a motion by Meixner, seconded by Nies to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

There was nothing to report from the Clerk.

Supervisor Nies reported speaking with Mr. Cox regarding his nuisance property. Mr. Cox agreed to pay for a dumpster, and surrounding neighbors cleaned up the property.

Details of the upcoming white goods collection were discussed. Dates have been set for Sunday, August 13, Wednesday, August 16 and Saturday, August 19 from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at the Town's landfill site on Highline Road. Sanders will contact Max Phillips from Chippewa Falls to provide 40 yard dumpsters as needed. The cost is \$110.00 per dumpster and the scrap proceeds would offset the dumpster cost. Charges will be as follows: \$10 for white goods (no refrigerants will be accepted), \$10 per couch, \$8 per mattress and \$5 per chair. Treasurer Aderman will create a flyer to post and the Deputy Clerk will advertise in the Record on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and August 9<sup>th</sup>.

Sanders spoke to Don Mansky with Waste Management regarding a dumpster at the Fire Department. Waste Management will place a dumpster at the Fire Department and charge only when it needs to be emptied.

Two Operator License applications were presented to the Board. There was a motion by Nies, seconded by Meixner to approve the license for Mary Trepanier. Motion carried. Nies then made a motion, seconded by Meixner, to table the application from Penny Beaulieu pending a letter of recommendation from her probation officer. Motion carried.

In light of recent events, Supervisor Nies expressed concern that Pat's Old Timer's Bar was

becoming a nuisance. Chairperson Sanders will speak with Pat Trepanier regarding the Board's concerns.

There being no further business to come before the Board, there was a motion by Sanders, seconded by Nies to adjourn at 8:35 P.M. and go into closed session in accordance with §19.85 (c) employment, promotion or compensations, and §19.85 (g)(2) discussions regarding legal counsel pursuant to Sawyer County cases #04-CV-132 and #04-CV-139. Motion carried.